



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 1059**

January Session, 2005

\* SB01059VA\_APP031105 \*

**AN ACT CREATING A BONUS FOR SERVICE IN A COMBAT ZONE.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2005*) (a) As used in this section  
2 and section 2 of this act, "eligible member or veteran" means a member  
3 or former member of the Connecticut National Guard who (1) is or  
4 was called to active service on or after September 11, 2001, (2) is or was  
5 in such active service for at least ninety consecutive days, (3) during  
6 such active service, is or was deployed to an area designated as a  
7 combat zone by the President of the United States, and (4) if  
8 discharged, is or was honorably discharged or discharged for injuries  
9 sustained in the line of duty.

10 (b) The Adjutant General shall pay each eligible member or veteran  
11 a bonus for military service in the amount of fifty dollars for each  
12 month or major part thereof of active service on or after September 11,  
13 2001. The maximum payment to any eligible member or veteran shall  
14 not exceed one thousand dollars. No bonus shall be paid to any eligible  
15 member or veteran who makes application for such bonus later than  
16 three years after the date of the cessation of such operations in which  
17 such member or veteran served.

18 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The Adjutant General, in  
19 consultation with the Commissioner of Veterans' Affairs, shall adopt  
20 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the

21 general statutes, to implement the provisions of section 1 of this act.  
22 Such regulations shall include procedures for verification of eligibility  
23 of an eligible member or veteran and for the application for and  
24 payment of such bonus.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2005</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section

***Statement of Legislative Commissioners:***

In section 1(a), "is" was changed to "is or was" for accuracy.

**VA**            *Joint Favorable Subst. C/R*

APP